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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Part B for September 1930

SUBJECT.

Modifications in the procedure in regard to the preparation & audit of D.A. Bills of non-official members of Conferences & Committees.

8(2) To Comptroller & Secretary, R.H. & C.E.
No H 1900-2 of 12.9.30.
Sanctions the above modifications.

1/10/30

9/10/30

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Letter no T.a. 210 D/9/10·12·1929 from the Comptroller bringing to the notice of Govt. certain double and irregular claims of T.a by Legislative Council Members and suggesting rules and a modified procedure of drawing the claims.

The following are the points for consideration and orders.

1. Whether the question of refund of T.a. drawn for two journeys to and fro for attending meetings held on a day with an interval of a day between them referred to in para 2 of the P.a.O. has to be pursued

2. Whether the disallowance of claim by the Audit Office referred to in para 3 (1) and (2) may be approved

3. Whether the procedure and rule suggested by the Comptroller in para 5 of P.a.O may be adopted

As per orders of the Secretary Financial Secretary the R.A and L.C. Section may and Dev. Branch may be have to be Consulted. Secretary Economic Conference Section will also kindly furnish information re. The T.A

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bills of Mr. N. Krishna Iyengar referred to in para 3 (3) of the P.W.D.

Yes
NW
18.12

RA. & LC Section

19/12

If the proposals contained in para 5 of the Comptroller's letter, which are simple and suitable, are accepted by Govt. and given effect to in respect of the R.A and L.C meetings also, this office will be relieved of the responsibility of handling heavy cash (which point was raised in the linked file) and the chances of making excess payments by the office will be completely avoided.

Subd
23/12/29

Unless the same procedure is adopted with ref: to the ~~##~~ bills for attending the R.A & L.C. meetings also, there will be considerable difficulty, ~~in making~~ in the months in which these meetings are held. For instance, if the L.C. (budget ~~to~~ meeting) is held towards the end of the month, certain members thereof may have attended other meetings previously in the same month and in the existing arrangement of cash payments being made at the close

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of the session, the Office cannot know whether payment shd be made to a particular member or not.

Secy) 23/2

I agree to the proposals of the Comptr, and the same procedure may be adopted by the R.A. & C.C. bills also.

To mr. 6/2

2 Members

7594 4/2

under circumstances mentioned?

24 7/2/31

To mr 7/2

A. Secy,

1) Has a Regr been kept in the R.A. & C.C. office with detailed headings shown? Date of meeting, etc.?

2) If not, please see that a Regr is at once opened with details.

3) T.A. Bills shd invariably be checked with regd to such Regr to avoid double payments, and there shd be a certificate to the effect that it is so checked.

4) Suppose the Secretary of each meeting immediately reports the names

R.A. Office please let me see the Regr. 7/2 5/3.

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As suggested by A. Secy.

of all the members present for meeting on the same day. With this he agrees ?

5) Why no be supply printed T. A. forms to the Members with all the particulars regd., leaving blank spaces to be filled in by Members as to details regarding the meetings, the no: of days, &c, & this is done can the Members be regd to submit bills at the end of each month as suggested by the Comptr ?

6) Why no be issue Cheques at the meeting itself ? They : to R. A. meetings

Please examine the subject & put up proposals to avoid double payments & to simplify the procedure. Delay shd : also be avoided.

D. M.
5/3

Secr. P.S.R
Secr. S. & A.

8 R
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L.b.

1) A register is maintained for the L.b, showing in detail the allowances paid to the members.

Another register is maintained for the Select Committees showing the bills countersigned by the Secretary and passed on to the Comptroller for audit and payment. Both the registers are put up for perusal.

Detached & retained in the office.

22/4/30

The register is prepared

18/3/30 both in the case of the R.A. and the d.c. at the time of preparing the t.a. bills. These bills are prepared in the R.A. and d.c. Office and money is paid after obtaining the signature of the party concerned, to each bill. In the case of bills that may be received some time after the register is looked into for purposes of verification before the Comptroller is authorised to pay. In case of payment by this

8/3 Office on the spot as there is no means of verifying the claims with reference to any other claims relating to the same months or to other meetings that might have been held immediately before the meeting of the R.A. or d.c.

8/3/30

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(1) There is no possibility of T.A. being paid twice over to any member of the R.A. or the L.C. for the period when either of these bodies is in session, as no other meeting which he may have to attend takes place during that period. The present procedure for the payment of T.A. for attending the meetings of these bodies may therefore continue. But I would suggest the R.A. & L.C. Office being relieved of the responsibility of disbursing the T.A. (I understand that three or four years ago a thousand rupees were stolen when disbursements were being made and had to be written off the accounts.) The bill may be prepared for each member by this office as hitherto but made payable at such Treasury as the member desires. It will be countersigned by the Secretary for payment at such Treasury and will be subject only to post-audit as at present. The Comptroller may instruct the Treasuries to pay the bills so countersigned, if any special instructions are necessary.

(2) Some members of the R.A. & the

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L-C. are also members of numerous committees, and as in the instance brought to notice by the Comptroller, it is only when they attend meetings of two or more of these committees held on or about ~~one time~~ the same date that occasions for inadvertent claims will arise. The meetings of these different committees are arranged, & the T.A. claims in connection with them are countersigned, by different authorities, and the charges also debited to the grants under their respective control. The R.A. & L.C. Office cannot therefore check all such claims. It is only in the Comptroller's office where all the bills are received from ~~previously~~ that the necessary scrutiny can be exercised. In all these cases the bills are ~~prepared by~~ now subject to pre-audit, and are prepared by the respective claimants and ~~countersigned~~. In these cases the countersignature of the Secretary to the Committee or other authority concerned is unnecessary, if not misleading, and it would perhaps be sufficient if such authority

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merely intimates to the Comptroller the date of each meeting and the names and place of permanent residence of each of the non-official members attending the meetings ~~of the Committee~~ after each meeting is over and the members told to send their bills direct to the Comptroller.

10-9-30
12/5

The registers now maintained in the R.A. & L.C. office are not in proper form. To facilitate checking, I think they should be in the form of a nominal ~~ledger~~ ledger with one or two pages set apart for each member in the alphabetical order and should contain full details of the claims passed each time.

R.A. & L.C. offices will be asked accordingly D.M.

Secy)

2/3
D.M.
10/5

3rd member

Mr. Meik sent to the Comptr for his remarks & suggestions by
13/5

Forwarded for with Compliments to the Comptroller to Govt for favour of remarks & suggestions.

R.O.
Ramachandrappa

Mrs. Meik R.A. & L.C. 3/5/30

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE
T.A.
15 MAY 1930
574 Ppl
BANGALORE

T.A. 15/5

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U.O. 5-238 pt
19.5.30.

Returned with compliments.

2. My suggestions for preventing double and excessive claims are contained in para 5 of my letter of the 10th December 1929. These proposals do not contemplate any change in the existing procedure of disbursing T.A. to members of R.A. and L.C. while in Session nor does this procedure need any radical change in this connection. It may therefore continue. The proposals contained in my letter under disposal refer to individual bills of Members sitting in Committee on the various bodies- not only the L.C. and R.A. but also the Economic Conference and various other Committees in connection with the Education, Agriculture and Industries and Commerce and other Developments. It is in regard to the journeys in connection with these meetings that requires to be regulated in accordance with my suggestions. Journey in connection with University Meetings have also to be considered in this connection.

the disbursement of T.A

Comptroller. 17/5/30

11364/21/5

Vide para 5 of his letter dy 10.12.29 the Comptr has suggested that a single bill may be required to be presented at the end of each month for claims in respect of all the meetings held in that month.

3rd Member

Particulars of the Journeys 21/5 to be submitted along with the Members bill. Action taken by 21/5

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This may now be submitted to the Financial Secretary.

23/5

Fin: Sec'y 24/5

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The following procedure may be adopted in the matter of T.A. claims of non-official gentlemen who attend Committees and Conferences including the Economic Conference, the Senate of the Mysore University, the University Council Meeting etc.

(a) As suggested by the Comptroller, one single bill for each month may be required to be presented for audit by each member for all claims in respect of meetings held in the month, duly supported by certificates of attendance. The T.A. bills should be prepared in accordance with the prescribed rules, date and hour of journey being mentioned in them.

(b) The existing procedure of disbursing T.A. to members of the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council at the close of the Session may continue unchanged. In regard to the attendance of meetings connected with the University also, the present arrangement of the claims being discharged by the University direct does not seem to require any change. But where in addition to the attendance of the Assembly or the Council sittings or the University meetings, journeys to attend Committees or Conferences are also performed by any member, the bill should include all those referred to above and deduction

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deduction should be made of the amount drawn or preferred as T.A. in respect of the former of them. ie Only the net amount should be claimed in the Bill submitted to the Comptroller.

ie RA, LC or University meetings as the case may be

(c) In respect of meetings and conferences other than the Representative Assembly, Legislative Council and those convened by the University, a certificate of attendance may be issued by the Secretary or other responsible authority on the same lines as those issued by the Courts, which should be attached to the T.A. bill to be submitted by the member direct to the Audit Office. No counter-signature of such T.A. bill by a Government Officer is necessary.

This will not only enable the members to draw their travelling allowance claims promptly but also prevent irregularities of the kind now under discussion. It may be tried for a period of one year in the first instance.

Regarding the suggestion made by the Comptroller in clause (c) of para 5 of his letter dated 10th December 1929, it is best to deal with each case as it comes up on the merits. No hard and fast rule need be introduced now. The question requires further examination.

Law Secretary with compliments.

10/6/30

Submitted. This may be sent to H Secy for further action

18/6/30

Final: Secy H

15/6.

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Disbursement of T.A. to the members of the Representative Assembly (& Legislative Council).

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1 From the experience of the system, now prevalent, of the R.A & L.C. Office being made to disburse T.A. to the members the following points have to be noted.

2 The bills are prepared by the officials of this office and the members sign the same but they are not countersigned before money is paid. As the ~~member~~ number of members is 260 ~~and more~~ there will be a rush for money and sometimes unsigned bills are presented and the disburser is enveloped on all sides and several members will be even leaning upon the cash chest. Any request to take their seats or to keep at a distance becomes an insult and the request is not at all heeded. It becomes extremely difficult to keep an eye upon the cash chest, to take out the money at the same time and to count it out also. Even the shroff in the Treasury has got better facilities to guard his cash.

3 Also if there are any omissions or mistakes there will be hardly time to check or rectify the same before money is paid.

4 This system of the R.A. & L.C. office doing shroff's work along with the accountant's work is not prevailing anywhere else. In Bombay and Madras, it is ascertained, the practice is for the members to receive cheques and cash them in the Treasury or Banks.

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5. The disbursement of large cash by the office to a large number of members has got its own risks, and when there is a Treasury available at Mysore if the disbursement could be entrusted to them it will be a great relief to this office from the risks attendant upon keeping or disbursing heavy cash especially when there are no special facilities for the purpose.

6. Another point for consideration is whether the presence of the Comptroller and his staff at Mysore cannot be made use of for auditing the bills and also for paying the T.A. direct himself then and there; and it is needless to say that the Comptroller will certainly have better facilities for disbursement than this office.

7. Anyway at a time when there is heavy office work daily, relief from handling cash is a dire necessity and this may be kindly considered. If nothing else is possible, at least this office may be authorised to issue cheques over the signature of the Ex-officio Secretary for the amounts due.

8. The procedure prescribed in paraq. 2 of the G.O. dated the 25th April 1924 was calculated to afford a necessary convenience to the members of both Houses who had to make a prolonged stay either at Mysore or Bangalore on account of

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the meetings and to incur expenditure, which if not re-imbursed then and there, would put them to considerable trouble.

9. The only point for consideration is whether the R. A. office should itself pay the T.A. to the members and whether the payment can be made by the Treasury on cheques issued by the office under the signature of the Secy. R. A. The inconvenience in the latter case is that the members having to remain in the meeting till about 5 P.M on the last day, they cannot cash the cheques till the following day and if that day again happens to be a Sunday or a holiday, till the next following day. This procedure will therefore necessitate their remaining ~~[illegible]~~ in the station unnecessarily for a day or two, and incurring additional expenditure for their food and lodging. It was on this consideration, that the ~~proposal~~ same proposal made once before, was not accepted

papers not readily traceable BMP

10. It is, however, true that ~~the proposal~~ there are grave risks in the R. A. office having to prepare bills themselves, check them and make also payments themselves. The rush during disbursements is great, the disburser has to, even cursorily, check the entries before disbursement, count the cash himself and then pay the amount. In these operations, any slight carelessness

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evil have disastrous results. ∴ During the Budget session of 1926, a whole bundle of notes amounting to one thousand rupees was missed during the disbursement. The establishment of the office being also very small with no separate cashier or Accountant, the risks are certainly greater. Hence, it becomes necessary to entrust the disbursement portion of the work to a separate agency outside the R.A. office.

11. To obviate the existing difficulties, the following proposals are submitted for favor of consideration:-

1. The R.A. office to prepare T.A. bills as heretofore and submit them to the Secy. for countersignature not later than 3 P.M. on the last day of the sitting after verification of the days of attendance of each member.

2. The Treasury officer to be requested to depute a shroff and the necessary other staff to make disbursements from 4.30 P.M. An estimate of the amount required for disbursement will be previously intimated to him.

3. The bills after disbursement will be returned to the R.A. office for sending to the Comptroller for audit.

12. It may not be possible for the Comptroller to audit and also to arrange

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disbursement at the same time as suggested in parag. 6 of the notes.

13 The Finl: Secy. will have to be consulted.

Secy) 7/8

D. M. 13/8/29

14 H.C. Secy with Comptr

As the Secn on special duty deals with disbursements at Mysore and has also special staff at his disposal also in this account, it may be possible to entrust this work to him. The suggestion that the Treasury Officer should be deputed is evading the responsibility from which during Mirs as disbursers. The suggestion that Comptroller's staff and pay does not also appear to be feasible. The Comptroller also may be consulted.

14.8.29

15 I do not think proposal as it is feasible.

16 The Comptr and the R.C under whom is the Treasury staff may be consulted.

16/8/29

Secy. R.A)

D. M. 17/8

17 Forwarded to Govt with Comptroller's letter for favour of remarks.

B. A. Narasinga Rao 17.8.29

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAT

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE I.A. 17 AUG 1929 BANGALORE

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Returned with compliments.

The Treasury staff can be made to make payments only at the Treasury and not Elsewhere and I do not therefore think that it is possible to ~~suggest~~ adopt the procedure suggested at 'A' above. All that is required is the help of a trained shroff in making actual payments of cash, the services of such a man may be ~~secured~~ spared by the Treasury for the short time during which payments are made but he will work only as a Subordinate member of the Staff of the Representative Assembly and the Representative Assembly office will have to take full responsibility for his work.

under mutual agreement

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19 Nowadays many members may be willing to receive cheques and by issuing them in such cases the necessity for handling cash may be minimised.

S. Shanmukham
18/10/29
Comptroller

20 Submitted for orders if the Hon'ble Rev. Members may be consulted unofficially.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
29 OCT 1929
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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As suggested in paragraph 16 supra

Await. arr. D.S.R's arrival. The arrgt made this time seemed to work very well. It might continue & no further action called for. DD 29/10

29/10 21) The arrangement adopted this time of obtaining the cash two days earlier and putting the amount due to each member in a cover for being delivered on the last day, has worked very well and given satisfaction to the R.A. members. It might be tried next year also before thinking of any other method of disbursement.

DD 8/11

Secy)

22) I think it is desirable to avoid handling of cash from every point of view. As suggested by the Comptr. as at A — cheques may be issued to the members being payable at the respective taling treasuries or at the Mysore treasury

D Mc 8/11/29

4689/15/11 3rd Member

23) I quite appreciate the system of the R.A. office having to issue cheques to members who may want the money before they return to their homes. The opinion of the Accountant

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Members may be arrested at the next session by

17.11.28

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
18 NOV
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

2nd) This file was put up with the question raised by the Comptroller in regard to the preparation of our bill at the end of the month to which it relates, for claims relating to that month to avoid double payments etc. (and these papers are linked)

25) The members of the Asst. have to be committed at the Circuit Session, as ordered by the Third Member above, in regard to the introduction of the cheque system to avoid the handling of large cash by the R.A. & L. Office.

Submitted for orders.

16/6

Sea)

3rd Member

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NOTE.

The Financial Secretary suggested that the members of the Representative Assembly attending several committee meetings held in the course of a single month might obtain a certificate of attendance from the Secretaries to the committees concerned and, at the end of the month, prepare one consolidated bill accompanied by these certificates and send the same to the Comptroller for audit and payment. He asked the members whether they would like to adopt this procedure hereafter or would suggest any other alternative course. The members agreed to the arrangement proposed by the Financial Secretary.

17.6.30

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26) Submd. for orders with ~~a~~ a note of the discussions that took place at the meeting of the R.A. on 17.6.1930. [The avoiding of handling cash by the R.A. office does not seem to have been discussed]

27) For orders. This may perhaps be now sent to the Finl: Secrt. for further action. DR 17/6.
8R 14/6

Secy)

28) Finl Secy with Comps

C176 / R / D.9/6/30 / 5394/R 11.6.30

29) It was agreed that certificates should be obtained by the members from the Secretaries concerned in the case of meetings attended, that a monthly bill should be prepared and that these certificates should be attached to the monthly bill and forwarded direct to Comptroller for payment. It was also agreed that in the case of R.A. & S.C. meetings, the existing procedure of payment on the spot should continue and that payments received on such account should be shown as a deduct entry in the monthly bills to arrive at the net payment claimed from the Comptrollers.

AD. 19.6.30.

16099 / 19/6/30

30) Please put up a draft order on this above lines - Right to the opinion of the P.A.C and the views expressed by the R.A. practically unanimously. Orders have been obtained on (b) & (c) of the comptr's suggestion also - Vide my note -

19/6/30.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
12 JUL. 1930
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Continuation sheet draft form.)

A copy of the proceedings is sent up. A typed copy of the opinion of the Assembly on this question is also minuted file. This may now be given to the Secretariat for putting up the draft.

Mudaliar 24/6/30

To Mr Kesavan

Linked with R.A. office file and back to-day.

K.N. 1/7

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
31 JUL. 1930
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

31) R.A. Section forwards referring to the No. and date of G.O prescribing the present procedure for payment of T.A. to Non-official Members that attend the several Committees meetings.

M 11.7.30.

32) How official members of the R.D and P.B that attend the several committee meetings are not paid on the spot. They send in bills which are countersigned and passed on to the Comptroller for audit and payment to the party direct. Payment on the spot is made for the R.D. & P.B. meetings only.

Fd P.B. asst compt 14/7

14.7.30

33) It may kindly be stated whether the procedure followed by the non-official Members attending Committee meetings & sending bills for countersignature is supported by any Govt. order

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rules in any Code. This is

15.7

Supdt, Rest Office
with compliments)

There are no Govt. orders on the subject [illegible] of this office.

17/7/30

for perusal before returning the file.

Asst. to Secy)

17.7

Financial Secy)

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
17 JUL 1930
REVENUE AND JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Submitted with a draft order as per orders in para 30, supra.

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OC Aude

Revised draft submitted

by 28/7/30

15-13
28/7

Draft portion for consideration

The two other points to be considered are whether date, hours of journey should not be mentioned in the T.A. bill. The members concerned cannot obviously check inconvenience by mere note of this information.

As regards the suggestion that only 2 days should be passed where such meetings are held somewhat near to each other in point of time, it is for consideration whether the members are prepared to forgo their facility of being reimbursed at their option of course, of the cost of transit to & from their place of residence in the interval. Such cases may be restricted to instances where the halt, meetings are separated by an interval of not more than one day, when it may be assumed to be practically certain that they may not go back at all. Each such case may be dealt with on its merits instead of a written rule having promulgated.

AD
28.7.30

HDeey)

Chan draft-

by
29.7.30
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Submitted with a clean draft. The

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form of certificate under clause ii in the draft is for approval. A form of Court attendance certificate is put up for reference (Flag P.)

2.8.30.

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DEPT. OF SECRETARIAT 11 AUG. 1930 BANGALORE.

To compliance with continuation from ranking of the draft rules and remarks if any

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3.8.30

SECRET

Subs. This reference is invited to last para of the Financial Secretary's note dt 10.6.1930 in the linked file re. the suggestion in para 4 (c) of the Comptroller's letter. It was considered

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that no fast and hard rules was necessary for the present.

19.8.30

The draft approved above may issue

7 Sept

OFFICE OF THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL 6 SEPT. 1930 No. 2577

1 SEP. 1930 No. 13

1st member

3rd member

Secy R.A.

23/8/30

OFFICE OF THE SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL 2 SEP. 1930 No. 2109

may the draft issue

9 9 30

Yes

10.9.30

Issued No FC. 1990-2 S&A 140.29.2 dt 12.9.30.

To R.A. Branch for note and return. The papers will be recorded in the Financial Branch.

Noted as regd. to 7th Army.

13.9.30

13.9.30

13-9-30

Action will be taken separately

9.9.30

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Enclosure 3

C. O. 42. Gl.

14 DEC. 29 OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No.T.A.210. *Bangalore, dated* 9th December 192 9.

FROM

S. SHAMANNA, ESQ., B.A.,
Comptroller to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

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16.12.29

To

S/A 140-29-1

Rajaseva Parayana
B. Srinivasa Iyengar Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Financial Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith for the information of Government a copy of this office letter No.77 T.A. of the 27-8-29 addressed to Mr.D.H.Chendrasekhariah, L.C. Member, Davangere in regard to certain items of T.A. drawn by him and his reply of 3-10-29 to it. It will be seen from Mr.D.H.Chendrasekariah's reply that he has accepted as correct the observations of this office as regards the cases of double claims relating to journeys performed by him on the 10th and 20th December 28, which he attributes to bonafide mistakes due to preparation of bills at different times. He has refunded to the Treasury at Davangere the sum of Rs.145/- which he had claimed in respect of these two journeys.

2. As regards the claims for other journeys to and fro for meetings with an interval of only a day in the middle, Mr.Chendrasekhariah questions the accuracy of the remarks contained in the letter to him and adds that "they do not tally with actual facts so far as he is able to verify them". He therefore sees no reason to refund the excess T.A. drawn by him for these journeys as ~~required~~ requested by this office. He was requested to intimate the actual result of his verification and to send a copy of the diary or other records maintained by him and I enclose a copy of his reply.

3. An examination of T.A. drawn by non-official members who happened to be members of more than one Board or Committee has disclosed other instances of such double or excess claims which are also mentioned below for the information of Government.

(1) Mr.Siddalinga Devaru, ~~ex~~ R.A.Member preferred claims twice for

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and long after the dates of meetings and often even after the close of the official year.

(4) The system of recording T.A.bills by major heads adopted in this office in the case of all T.A.bills.

5. To avoid the recurrence of such excess or double claims in future, I would suggest the adoption of the following procedure in regard to the preparation and audit of T.A.bills of non-official members of the R.A. and L.C. and of the various Conferences, Boards and Committees.

(a) Only a single bill may be required to be presented for audit by each member at the end of each month for claims in respect of all meetings held in that month duly supported by certificates of attendance.

(b) Date and hour of journey should be required to be mentioned on the bills.

(c) To regulate T.A.for journeys to attend meetings held at short intervals of not more than one or two days, some simple rules may be prescribed. The desirability of allowing in such cases only daily allowance instead of charges for journeys to the place of their residence and back in British India (Vide Art. S.R.98 III Fundamental Rules. ~~C.S.R.~~) may be considered in this connection.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

V. Ramaswamy

Comptroller.

To be further gone on:
1) system of circuit camps during
2) may not be complete
3) inconvenience do not
4) difficulty of preparing bills

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Letter No.77/T.A. dated 27th August 1929 from the Comptroller of Mysore, Bangalore, to D.H.Chandrasekaraiya, Esq., B.A.,LL.B., Legislative Council Member, Davangere.

I have the honour to observe from the T.A.Bills presented by you from time to time that

(1) On the 9th December 28, a sum of Rs.79-12-0 has been claimed on account of travelling to and fro Danvangere and Daily Allowance for the 9th in connection with the Students Strike Committee and again a sum of Rs.80-4-0 for travelling to and fro Bangalo e and daily allowance in connection with the Finance and Taxation Committee Meeting on the 10th.

(2) On 20th December 1928, a sum of Rs.102-12-0 has been claimed on account of Railway fares to and fro Davangere and Daily Allowance for halts at Bangalore from 17th to 20th both days inclusive in connection with the Legislative Council Meetings and again on the 20th December 28, a sum of Rs.79-12-0 has been claimed on account of to and fro Railway Fare and Dail Allowance on the 20th for the Students' Strike Committee Meeting.

(3) To and fro Railway fares have thus been claimed for two journeys though only a single journey was actually performed and Daily allowance has been drawn twice for the 20th. In these circumstances the excess amount of Rs.145/- (i.e., Railway Fare 142-8-0 at Rs.71-4-0 mileage 2-8-0) claimed and drawn by you has to be refunded to the treasury.

(4) From the details furnished in the Statement annexed it will be seen that T.A.has been drawn separately for each meeting although the intervening period between two different meetings is only a day and therefore only daily allowance is admissible for the intervening day and the excess drawn on account of to and fro Railway Fares has also to be refunded as only one journey has been performed by you.

2. I request that these amounts aggregating Rs.413-4-0 being T.A.drawn in excess of amount admissible may be kindly credited to the treasury at Davangere and the fact intimated to this office at your earliest convenience.

"Copy"

Superintendent,
T.A.Section,
Comptroller's Office.

Letter Dated 28-10-29 from Mr.D.H.Chendrasekharaiya,B.A.,LL.B., Member of Mysore Legislative Council, Davangere, to the Comptroller of Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your office letter No.TA.159 dated 24th October 29, I beg to state that the result of my verification is that I did not halt at Bangalore on the intervening days awaiting future meetings. It cannot be expected of one in my position with various engagements to remain in a place in which there is no work of any sort to attend to nor can the amount of inconvenience felt by me when required to attend meetings be imagined. So you may take it fairly certain that on the night previous to each intervening day and on the night of that day itself I have travelled from and to Bangalore respectively having utilised that day for other purposes. I maintain no Diary showing the dates of my travelling but I depend upon the meeting notices for reliable guidance in the matter. I hope you will kindly cease casting suspicions too far and be satisfied with the explanation I have offerred above.

"Copy"

Superintendent,
T.A.Section,
Comptroller's Office.

Letter dated 3-10-29 from Mr.D.H.Chandrasekharaiya, B.A.,LL.B. Member of Mysore Legislative Council, Davangere, to the Comptroller of Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your office letter asking me to refund certain amounts of T.A.drawn by me, I beg to state that your observations regarding the claiming of T.A. for attending the Meeting of the Financ and Taxation Committee on the 10th of Dec., 28 and that of the Students Strike Enquiry Committee on the 20th of December 28 are correct. As these are bonafide mistakes that have occurred owing to the preparation of bills at different times I hope you will kindly excuse me for the same. The excess amount in this connection Viz., Rs.145/- as stated in your letter will be credited to the Treasury here after hearing from you the head or heads under which the amount is to be refunded. The information relating to the head or heads is not available with me.

As regards other Meetings when the intervening period between two different meetings happened to be a day, I beg to observe that your remarks are not true and do not tally so far as I have been able to verify with actual facts. Hence I find no reason to refund the amount claimed in this connection.

Soliciting an early reply to the above effect.

"Copy"

Superintendent,
T.A.Section,
Comptroller's Office.

Witness-Certificate

Form No.106, Civil.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

Certified that .....

appeared before me as a witness on behalf of .....

in a ..... case for ..... days from .....to .....

in his official capacity to depose the facts within his official knowledge and that he has been by me the ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ undermentioned allowances.

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Travelling allowance ...			
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Total			

Court of the .....)
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193 .)

Judge
Magistrate.

S.R. 98.-- The following provisions govern the grant of travelling allowance to members of the Council of State and the Legislative Assembly who are required to leave, in the case of official members their official headquarters or, in the case of non-official members their usual places of residence for the purpose of attending a meeting of the Council or Assembly or transacting business connected with their duties as members :-

(a) A member of the Council or the Assembly may draw:-

(i) x x x

(ii) x x x

(iii) When he leaves such place during the course of a session or before the business is completed and returns for less than fifteen days to his official headquarters or place of residence ; either a single first class fare and road mileage for the journey and return journey or his daily allowance for the period of absence, whichever is less. If the absence is not less than fifteen days, he may draw no travelling allowance.

(b) x x x

[copied from the compilation of the Fundamental Rules and the Supplementary Rules issued by the A.G. Posts & Telegraphs. corrected upto 31.8.1926. Pp. 170-171].

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF H.H. THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read:-

Letter No.T.A.210 dated 9/10th December 1929 from the Comptroller suggesting for reasons stated ~~xxx~~ certain modifications in the procedure in regard to the preparation and audit of the T.A.Bills of non-official members of Conferences and Committees.

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ORDER NO: FL: 1990-2/

Dated, Bangalore, the 12-9-30

Under the existing procedure non-official gentlemen attending in one month, meetings of several Conferences and Committees are required to prepare separate T.A. claims and this arrangement besides contributing to delay in the disposal of the claims is found to be defective also. To remedy the defects a change in the procedure is called for. With the concurrence of the P.A.C. ~~xx~~ that dealt with the Comptroller's A. & A. Report for the year 1928-29 and of the Representative Assembly which met at the last June Session, Government are pleased to prescribe the following rules for future guidance.

(1) The existing procedure for disbursing in cash T.A. to members of the R.A. and L.C. at the close of each session and for payment by the University of T.A.claims in regard to the attendance of meetings connected with that body will continue unchanged.;

(ii) In respect of meetings of Bodies other than those referred to in clause (i) a

certificate of attendance will be issued to every non-official member by the Secretary or other responsible officer concerned in the form indicated below:-

Subject to approval
A form of Court attendance certificate is put up for reference Flag P.
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Certified that Mr. ..... attended the sittings of the .... on ..... as a member thereof.

Secretary.

(iii) In respect of T.A.claims for attending the meetings of these bodies only one T.A.Bill for a month should be preferred at its close by a non-official member in which all the journeys performed and halts made in respect of the meetings attended by him should be noted;

(iv) This bill should also include the journeys and halts, if any, the claims in respect of which will be dealt with under clause (i), but deduction should be made of the amount drawn or preferred as T.A. in respect of them and the net amount only should be claimed in the Bill.

(v) The T.A.Bill with the certificate referred to in rule (ii) may be forwarded direct to the Comptroller for audit by each member. No countersignature of such T.A.Bill by any Government Officer is necessary.

8.8.30.

4.8.30 Finl.Secy. to Govt.

To

The Comptroller to Govt.
" Secretary to Govt, R.A.& L.C.
" Gazette and Translation Sec.

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Government of his highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

G. O. No. Fl. 1990-2—S. & A. 140-29-2, dated 10—12th September 1930.

Travelling Allowance Claims.

Sanctions certain modifications in the procedure of preferring — — of non-official Members of Conferences and Committees.

READ—

Letter No. T. A. 210, dated 9—10th December 1929, from the Comptroller, suggesting for reasons stated certain modifications in the procedure in regard to the preparation and audit of the Travelling Allowance Bills of non-official members of Conferences and Committees.

ORDER NO. FL. 1990-2—S. & A. 140-29-2, DATED 10—12TH SEPTEMBER 1930.

Under the existing procedure, non-official gentlemen attending in one month, meetings of several Conferences and Committees are required to prepare separate Travelling Allowance claims and this arrangement, besides contributing to delay in the disposal of the claims, is found to be defective also. To remedy the defects, a change in the procedure is called for. With the concurrence of the Public Accounts Committee that dealt with the Comptroller's Audit and Appropriation Report for the year 1928-29 and of the Representative Assembly which met at the last June Session, Government are pleased to prescribe the following rules for future guidance:—

(i) The existing procedure for disbursing in cash Travelling Allowance to members of the Representative Assembly and Legislative Council at the close of each Session and for payment by the University of Travelling Allowance claims in regard to the attendance of meetings connected with that body will continue unchanged;

(ii) In respect of meetings of Bodies other than those referred to in clause (i), a certificate of attendance will be issued to every non-official member by the Secretary or other responsible officer concerned in the form indicated below:—

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(iv) This bill should also include the journeys and halts, if any, the claims in respect of which will be dealt with under clause (i), but deduction should be made of the amount drawn or preferred as Travelling Allowance in respect of them and the net amount only should be claimed in the bill.

(v) The Travelling Allowance Bill with the certificate referred to in rule (ii) may be forwarded direct to the Comptroller for audit by each member. No countersignature of such Travelling Allowance Bill by any Government Officer is necessary.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

To—The Comptroller to Government.
The Secretary to Government, Representative Assembly and Legislative Council.
The Compiler, *Mysore Gazette.*

Exd.—C. K.

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